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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently amended) Dry extract obtained from roasted by-products of hard-shelled fruit and pulse processing, whereby the by-products are membranes and/or fruit residues of hard-shelled fruits, pulses or mixtures thereof, and wherein said hard-shelled fruit is a hazelnut.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously presented) Method for production of the dry extract according to Claim 1, comprising the extraction of the by-products of hard-shelled fruit and pulse processing and drying of the extract.
4. (Previously presented) Method according to Claim 3, wherein the extraction is carried out in stages.
5. (Previously presented) A method of coloring a product comprising the addition of the dry extract of Claim 1 to the product.
6. (Previously presented) A method to stabilise anthocyanins and/or anthocyanidins comprising adding the dry extract of Claim 1 to a product containing said anthocyanins and/or anthocyanidins.
7. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 5, wherein said product is a food.
8. (Previously presented) A method to form a film comprising applying said dry extract of Claim 1 to a substrate to form said film.

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9. (Previously presented) A food product comprising the dry extract of Claim 1.

10-11. (Canceled)